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SRI A. K. SUBBIAH :—" மொத்த பர்மிட்காரர்களில் அதிகாரிகள் எத்தனை பேர் ? அதிகாரிகளல்லாதவர்கள் எத்தனை பேர் ? "

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" I cannot give the information off-hand. A separate question may be put."

*Expenditure incurred on Grow More Food Schemes.*

* 918 *Q.*—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the total amount spent by the Food Production Department and the total extent of lands brought under cultivation so far up to 1953 in Madras State?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" The following are the particulars :—

*Composite Madras State.*

| *Year.* | *Total gross expenditure (rupees in lakhs).* | *Net expenditure (rupees in lakhs).* | *Total extent benefited under all Grow More Food Schemes (in lakhs of acres).* |
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| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) |
| 1949–50 | 626·04 | 186·99 | 26·42 |
| 1950–51 | 946·32 | 289·51 | 22·65 |
| 1951–52 | 777.46 | 291·92 | 24·22 |
| 1952–53 | 10,23·72 | 247·02 | 19·90 " |

SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN :—" What is the expenditure in terms of quantum of production? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" I am unable to understand what the hon. Member means by asking for expenditure in terms of production."

*Deaths due to opening of fire and lathi charges.*

* 919 *Q.*—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state with reference to the answer to unstarred question No. 16, dated the 6th January 1954, the number of persons who died as a result of the opening of fire and lathi charges?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The number of persons who died on account of the opening of fire was eight. There was no case of death on account of the lathi charges."

*Electricity scheme for Madukkarai area in Coimbatore district.*

* 920 *Q.*—SRI R. KUPPUSWAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have sanctioned any electricity scheme for a sub-station at a cost of Rs. 1 crore under the Five-Year Plan at Madukkarai area in Coimbatore district;

(*b*) if so, when it will be taken up for execution by the Government?

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THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (*a*) Under the Transmission Line and Distribution Project included in the Five-Year Plan, a scheme for the extension of a 110 K.V. line from Coimbatore to Shoranur at an estimated cost of Rs. 79·85 lakhs and involving the erection of a sub-station at Madukkarai was sanctioned by the Government in December 1952. It has been found since that the scheme requires certain modification and a revised scheme is accordingly being formulated.

" (*b*) As the revised scheme has yet to be approved by the Government, it is not possible to say at present when the scheme will be taken up for execution."

*Plying of buses in the City before and after the closure of the tramways.*

* 921 *Q.*—SRI S. RAMALINGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state with reference to an answer to a supplementary question under starred question No. 2 answered on 23rd February 1954, the number of buses that were on the road in the City of Madras prior to the closure of the tramway service and after?

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" The average number of buses that were on the road on all routes prior to the closure of the tram service was 278.

" On an average 303 vehicles including about 40 large buses with a seating capacity of about 60 are now running daily."

SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—" 25 பஸ்கள் அதிகம் விடுவதன் மூலம் டிராம் ஸ்ர்விஸ் நிற்கப்பட்டதால் பாதிக்கப்பட்ட ஒரு லட்சம் பிரயாணிகளின் சௌகர்யத்தை ஈடு செய்துவிடமுடியுமாவென்று கேட்கிறேன் ?"

THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" To relieve congestion of traffic, 43 new buses have been put on the road."

*Seven Wells Water-works, Madras.*

* 922 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) the annual expenditure for maintaining the Seven Wells Water-works at Mint Street, Georgetown, Madras;

(*b*) the daily output from the Seven Wells to the Fort area;

(*c*) what are the proposals for extending the water-supply scheme of the Seven Wells; and

(*d*) what are the repairs carried out in the year 1953 and the pending works under proposal and the amount of expenditure for the proposals?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) *to* (*d*) The Seven Wells Water-works are under the control of the Garrison Engineer, Fort St. George, who is under the control of the Government